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October 2010 Women's Edition

Mission statement:

"The mission of the Missouri Women's Council is to promote the economic success of Missouri women by connecting them to information and resources"



Jeremiah "Jay" Nixon
Governor



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Director
Department of Economic Development

Missouri Women's Council Board Members 2010

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October's Featured Board Member

Melodee Colbert-Kean

Joplin, MO



Melodee Colbert Kean, president of Prayerful Portions, LLC, a small business consulting firm, is dedicated to assisting other small businesses in developing and integrating growth strategies to optimize profitability and sustainability.

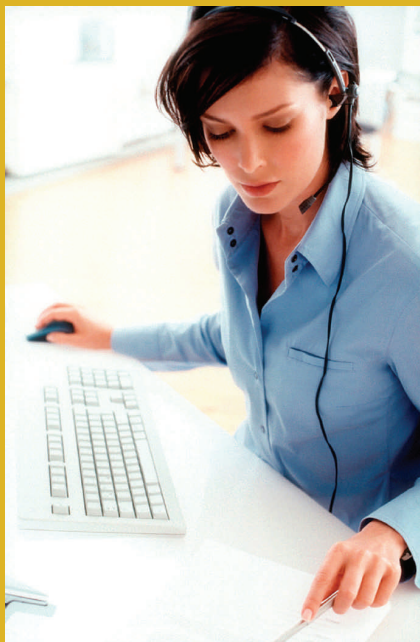
Melodee is also committed to community and civic services, currently serving as Mayor Pro Tem on the Joplin Mo City Council. As an elected official since April 2006, she has served on the Missouri Municipal Leagues Economic Development & Human Resources Board, and on the National League of Cities F.A.I.R. Policy Board. She also serves on the Missouri Southern State University Robert Plaster School of Business Advisory Board, the Joplin Metro Credit Union Board of Directors, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, V.P. Joplin Emancipation Committee, NAACP and the Main Street Joplin Alliance.

A graduate of Missouri Southern State University with a Marketing Degree, Melodee worked, for over 13 years with a Mall development company as an Assistant Manager and Business Development Director. She also holds a MO Real Estate License with Charles Burt Realtors.

Melodee resides in Joplin Mo with her husband William Kean Jr. They have four children. She is a member of Unity Missionary Baptist Church and serves as Assistant Recording Secretary.



Economic News You Can Use



Missouri SBA Releases Final Women-Owned Small Business Rule to Expand Access to Federal Contracting Opportunities

New program will be available in early 2011 for small, women-owned firms
With the publication last week of a final rule in the Federal Register, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will begin implementation of its **Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB)** contracting program. The agency expects the program to be available for WOSBs in early 2011. The rule is part of the Obama Administration's overall commitment to expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for federal contracts, in particular those owned by women, socially and economically disadvantaged persons and veterans. [Click Here for more information](#)

Treasurer Clint Zweifel announces \$100 million partnership with Commerce Bank impacting an estimated 2,800 jobs

Commerce Bank, the largest Missouri-based bank, has committed to a goal of lending \$100 million in low-interest loans to small businesses through the Missouri Linked Deposit Program, according to Missouri State Treasurer Clint Zweifel. The investment in the low-interest loan program managed by Zweifel is estimated to impact 2,800 Missouri jobs during the next 12 months. Zweifel joined Commerce Bank executives to announce the recent agreement, which potentially makes the bank the loan program's largest user. [Click Here for more information.](#)



DED Releases State Jobs Report for September

Unemployment in Missouri was unchanged in September, according to data released today by the Missouri Department of Economic Development (DED). The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 9.3 percent in both August and September. [Click here for more information.](#)

Governor Nixon's Small Business Loan Program

Through Gov. Nixon's Small Business Loan Program, Missouri businesses with five employees or fewer may apply for loans of between \$2,500 and \$25,000. The loans are typically repaid over a ten-year term and at a low interest rate of 3 percent. Missouri businesses wishing to apply for one of the loans can go online to www.ded.mo.gov/MOloan/index.htm to download an application.

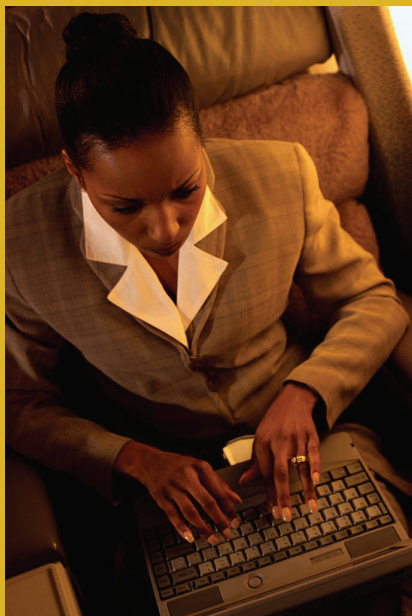
WorkReadyMissouri

Governor Nixon launched a **WorkReadyMissouri** program to help businesses train potential employees at no cost, and help job seekers who are receiving unemployment insurance benefits to connect with businesses and organizations looking for skilled workers. [Click here for more information.](#)



Missouri Career Center Services

www.missouricareersource.com



Missouri Career Center services come with personalized career assistance from workforce specialists and career counselors.

Missouri Career Center's offer the following services:

Browse Job Openings: Start your search for quality employment opportunities with MissouriCareerSource.com—the state's top career-matching website—but also explore first-rate government and commercial job-search websites.

Attend On-Site Workshops: Our five primary workshops give you the practical guidance you need to get the career of your dreams.

Resume Writing Assistance: Land the jobs you want with strong, eye-catching resumes and cover letters. Use our software and experienced staff to help make your applications stand out.

Locate Resources for Workers: Access a variety of websites that provide resources and information important to workers.

Unemployment Benefits Information: File for unemployment insurance using one of our phones or computers. Your Career Center is where you will report your job-seeking progress, in person, every 4 weeks.

Tools and Equipment Available to Job Seekers: Access computers, printers, copiers, scanners, fax machines, and phones at no charge to help you search and apply for job openings.

Explore Employment, Wage and Job Growth Information: Research the fastest growing industries and highest-demand occupations with the Career Exploration Tool and other innovative data tools from state and federal economic information agencies.

Access Resources and Help with Basic Living Needs: Help you find community-based providers of support services and other resources to assist with basic expenses and necessities.

Workshops for Laid-off Workers: Maximize your career exploration strategies with our Career Options workshops, explore starting your own business with the FastTrac™ program and attend workshops to help you manage your family finances while unemployed.

Information and Resources for Entrepreneurs: Explore resources to assist entrepreneurs with new business development and managing and growing a small business.

Services for Youth: Access services to assist youth with career exploration, training and preparation for employment.

Evaluate Your Skills, Knowledge and Abilities: Get free Initial Assessment that identifies your strengths, abilities and areas for development. Obtain a National Career Readiness Certificate or use career exploration tools to discover occupations you find exciting.

Financial Resources and Assistance: Will help you fund the training that will get you a great career. Apply for Pell Grants and other financial aid for veterans, dislocated workers and others.

Access Training Assistance and Training Provider Information: Information on Missouri educational institutions that offer post-secondary education, classroom training, apprenticeships, on-the-job training and more are at your fingertips with our assistance.

Access Online Training: Increase your reading, writing and computer skills with interactive, multi-media online courses and tutorials. Also prepare for your General Equivalency Diploma (GED).

Disability Services and Resources: Access a variety of assistive technology including the UbiDuo™ communication device for deaf/hearing of hearing people, screen readers, height-adjustable tables and many other disability resources.

Language Resources: Access information on resources to help you increase your English language proficiency. In addition, our Language Select service is available by telephone to provide interpretation services in over 200 languages.

To find a career center near you, please visit

www.missouricareersource.com
call 1-888-728 JOBS (5627).

Dreams to REALITY

Mission Statement:

The mission of Dreams to Reality is to help low-income women of Missouri to meet their employment goals and build self-confidence by providing appropriate interview and business apparel, motivation and follow-up support.



Dreams to Reality, a non-for-profit, organization founded in 2000 and based in Jefferson City serves low-income Missouri women. Dream to Reality's mission is to provide interview-ready apparel to low-income women who seek employment; thus promoting self-esteem and enhancing their employability.

It is Dream to Reality's 10th anniversary, and they have outfitted about 1,000 clients for job interviews. The organization started when several area business women observed how hard it was for women to find jobs and leave public assistance if they didn't have appropriate clothing for their interviews and jobs. The interview outfit doesn't just help them make a good first impression, but it improves their self-image so they can project a more confident self to the interviewer.

Gently used or new suits and business wear is donated from the community and supplemented as necessary from a low-cost supplier. Volunteers outfit the client from top to toe, providing undergarments, tops, stockings, shoes, bags, accessories and personal care items as well as the suit. Several salons offer free haircuts for those who need them and other services are discounted. Other volunteers help with makeup.

Women are referred from other organizations that determine their eligibility. A low-income woman who is in the job search process and lives anywhere in Missouri not served by a similar organization is eligible.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

-Eleanor Roosevelt

Cowgirl Up for Dream Night 2010

Upcoming event in recognition of Dreams to Reality's tenth anniversary!

Saturday, November 13, 6-9 pm
Capital Plaza Hotel

Tickets \$12 in Advance, \$15 at the door.

There are still opportunities for businesses to participate by having a booth, donating a gift for the silent auction or in several other ways. Contact Dreams to Reality at 681-WORK for more information.

Dreams to Reality

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Web: www.dreamstoreality-jc.org





Business Trainings and Job Fairs

October 26th, 2010

Selling to the Government

Location: Springfield

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 26th, 2010

Starting a Business: The First Steps

Location: St. Joseph

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 26th, 2010

Pricing for Success

Location: Columbia

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 26th, 2010

Job Fair

Location: Kirksville

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 27th, 2010

Job Fair

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 27th, 2010

Customer Service: Taking Care of Customers

Location: Mexico

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 27th, 2010

Personnel Law: Common HR Mistakes & Hot Topics

Location: Springfield

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 27th, 2010

Job Fair

Location: Kansas City

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 28th, 2010

Job Fair

Location: Jefferson City

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 28th, 2010

How to Start a New Business

Location: Poplar Bluff

[Click Here for more information](#)

October 29th, 2010

Starting a Business—First Steps

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 2nd, 2010

Understanding Financial Statements

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 2nd, 2010

The Basics of Writing a Business Plan

Location: Columbia

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 2nd, 2010

How to Start a New Business

Location: Bonne Terre

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 3rd, 2010

Marketing Your Business in Tough Economic Times

Location: Mexico

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 3rd, 2010

Basics of Writing a Business Plan

Location: Carthage

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 3rd, 2010

Small Business Tax Workshop

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 3rd, 2010

Job Fair

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 4th, 2010

Understanding Financial Statements

Location: St. Joseph

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 4th, 2010

Winning Government Contracts

Location: Kansas City

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 4th, 2010

Starting a Business –The First Steps

Location: Kirksville

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 5th, 2010

Quickbooks for Beginners

Location: Columbia

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 5th, 2010

Basics of Writing a Business Plan

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)





Business Trainings and Job Fairs

November 8th, 2010
Using Quickbooks Pro in Your Business

Location: Osage Beach

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 8th, 2010
Government Marketing Fundamentals

Location: Cape Girardeau

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 9th, 2010
How to Control Cash Flow

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 9th, 2010
Winning Government Contracts

Location: Joplin

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 9th, 2010
Marketing: Think Before You Spend

Location: Jefferson City

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 9th, 2010
Social Media Marketing for Small Business

Location: Columbia

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 10th, 2010
Selling to the Government

Location: Ft. Leonard Wood

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 10th, 2010
Starting a Business

Location: Kansas City

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 10th, 2010
Job Fair

Location: Farmington

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 11th, 2010
Intermediate Quickbooks

Location: St. Peters

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 11th, 2010
Job Fair

Location: Jefferson City

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 12th, 2010
Small Business Roundtable

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 12th, 2010
Financing Your Business

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 15th, 2010
**Aspiring Student Entrepreneurs—
The First Steps**

Location: Joplin

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 16th, 2010
Predicting Future Cash Needs

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 16th, 2010
Social Media for Small Businesses

Location: Joplin

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 16th, 2010
How to Start a New Business

Location: Dexter

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 17th, 2010
Building the Ultimate Business Plan

Location: Springfield

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 18th, 2010
Investing Ideas for Small Business Owners

Location: Joplin

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 18th, 2010
Starting a Small Business

Location: Jefferson City

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 18th, 2010
Winning Government Contracts

Location: Blue Springs

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 18th, 2010
Basics of Writing a Business Plan

Location: Kirksville

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 19th, 2010
Starting and Managing a Business

Location: Lees Summit

[Click Here for more information](#)





Business Trainings and Job Fairs



November 22nd, 2010

Basics of Writing a Business Plan

Location: Jefferson City

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 23rd, 2010

Understanding Financial Statements

Location: Mexico

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 30th, 2010

Selling to the Government

Location: Springfield

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 30th, 2010

Starting and Managing a Business

Location: St. Louis

[Click Here for more information](#)

November 30th, 2010

Successful Social Media Marketing

Location: Lamar

[Click Here for more information](#)

Free Business Tax Seminars

The Missouri Department of Revenue conducts seminars to familiarize businesses with tax related issues. These Seminars include information on sales tax, withholding tax and business tax registration. There is no charge for attending a seminar.

Listed below are future seminar dates. **To enroll to attend a business tax seminar, please contact the Tax Assistance Center nearest you. Because seating is limited, pre-enrollment is required.**

<p><u>Cape Girardeau</u></p> <p>November 17th, 2010</p> <p><i>To register contact:</i> Cape Girardeau Tax Assistance Center Email: capetax@dor.mo.gov</p>	<p><u>Kansas City</u></p> <p>December 17th, 2010</p> <p><i>To register contact:</i> Kansas City Tax Assistance Center Email: kctax@dor.mo.gov</p>
<p><u>Jefferson City</u></p> <p>November 17th, 2010 December 17th, 2010</p> <p><i>To register contact:</i> Jefferson City Tax Assistance Center Email: jctax@dor.mo.gov</p>	<p><u>Springfield</u></p> <p>December 9th, 2010</p> <p><i>To register contact:</i> Springfield Tax Assistance Center Email: sprtax@dor.mo.gov</p>
<p><u>Joplin</u></p> <p>December 17, 2010</p> <p><i>To register contact:</i> Joplin Tax Assistance Center Email: joptax@dor.mo.gov</p>	<p><u>St. Louis</u></p> <p>November 17th, 2010</p> <p><i>To register contact:</i> St. Louis Tax Assistance Center Email: stltax@dor.mo.gov</p>





In Every Issue

Business Resources

Missouri Business Portal

An online resource as a single point of entry for business registration, filings, licenses, and permits for doing business in the State of Missouri.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Missouri Business Development Programs

The Missouri Small Business & Technology Development Center (MO SBTDC) successfully assists more than 10,000 businesses with business start-up and training workshops. Visit

www.missouribusiness.net.

Missouri Catalog of State Assistance Programs

Provides detailed information about state grants, loans and assistance programs and how to apply for them.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Missouri Department of Economic Development Programs for Business

The Missouri Department of Economic Development offers a listing of programs for businesses. For a full listing, please [click here](#).

Missouri Enterprise Business Assistance Centers (MEBAC)

MEBAC's mission is to help small businesses enhance productivity, expand production, increase sales and improve profitability. Visit www.missourienterprise.org or call toll free at (800) 956-2682.

Missouri Linked Deposit Program

The Big Missouri Linked Deposit Program is administered through the state treasurer's office to enable financial institutions to make low-cost loans to businesses and farms to create jobs and help Missouri's economy grow. Visit

www.treasurer.mo.gov/LinkedDeposit.asp.

MOSourceLink

MOSourceLink connects small business owners with a network of nonprofit resource organizations that provide business-building services. Visit www.mosourcelink.com or call toll-free at (866) 870-6500.

Missouri Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (MO PTAC)

MO PTAC's mission is to assist businesses—including small, disadvantaged and women owned firms—in obtaining federal, state and local government contracts. Visit www.missouribusiness.net/PTAC

Missouri Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board (SBRFB)

The SBRFB provides a key interface between state regulatory agencies and affected small businesses. For more information, please [click here](#).

Missouri Small Business and Technology Assistance Centers (MO SBTDC)

MO SBTDC is focused on strengthening the technological competitiveness of Missouri's businesses. Visit www.missouribusiness.net/fast.

Missouri Women's Council

Provides information and resources regarding business, education and career development to Missouri's women. Visit

www.womenscouncil.org or call toll free at (877) 426-9284.

MoFAST: SBIR/STTR Program

Help for entrepreneurs and small businesses seeking federal funding for technology and life sciences businesses, products, research and development. [Visit www.mofast.net](http://www.mofast.net).

Office of Administration—Office of Equal Opportunity

OEO's mission works to assist women and minorities in developing opportunities to contract with the state, economically empowering traditionally underserved communities and improving the overall fiscal vitality of the State of Missouri. Visit www.oa.mo.gov/oeo or call toll free (877) 259-2963.

SBA— Small Business Administration

The SBA links entrepreneurs with resources, services and support specifically designed for small business needs. [Visit www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov) or call toll free at (800) U ASK SBA.





In Every Issue-

Women's Resources

National Association of Women Business Owners

NAWBO is a dues-based national organization representing the interests of all women entrepreneurs in all industries. Membership is open to sole proprietors, partners and corporate owners with day-to-day management responsibility.

Phone: (800) 556-2926

Website: www.nawbo.org

National Women's Business Council

The Council's mission is to promote initiatives, policies and programs designed to support women's business enterprises at all stages of development in the public and private sector marketplaces, from start-up to success to significance.

Website: www.nwbc.gov

eWomenNetwork, Inc.

eWomenNetwork, Inc. is committed to helping women and their businesses achieve, succeed and thrive in the new economy. Their goal is to help female business owners and professionals achieve their goals.

Website: www.eWomenNetwork.com

Women Impacting Public Policy, Inc. (WIPP)

A national nonpartisan public policy organization that advocates for and on behalf of women and minorities in business in the legislative process of our nation, creating economic opportunities and building bridges and alliances to other small business organizations.

Website: www.wipp.org

Career Education Coordinators

Network of professionals focusing on nontraditional careers as well as providing information and expertise in career awareness, exploration and planning for various audiences.

Website: www.missouricareereducation.org

Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC)

Dedicated to advancing the success of Corporate Members, certified women's business enterprises, and government entities in partnership with its Regional Partner Organizations (RPOs)

Website: www.wbenc.org

Missouri Child Care Resource and Referral Network

The Missouri Women's Council recognizes that often times women in business and workforce may encounter barriers accessing quality child care. This organization coordinates the activities of the eight child care resource and referral agencies that serve all 115 counties in Missouri.

Website: www.mocccrn.org

Women's Business Development Center

The largest women's business assistance center in the United States. Nationally and internationally recognized for responsive, innovative, and effective programs and advocacy efforts. Delivers business services and financial assistance to empower women towards entrepreneurship and economic self-sufficiency.

Website: www.wbdc.org

Winning Women

Winning Women works to foster economic growth and provide leadership in developing and supporting our future workforce. Education and mentoring opportunities focus on traditional and non-traditional occupations and apprenticeships in the private and public sectors. Website: www.winningwomen.net



Caring Communities

A "partnership" that enables community and school leaders to define priorities and agendas based on each community's needs, assets and vision. By developing community-based supports and services, the aim is to enhance the well-being of children, which is inseparable from the well-being of their families and the stability and economic viability of the communities where they live.

Website: www.mofact.org

WPO Women Presidents' Organization

The WPO is a non-profit membership organization for women presidents of multimillion-dollar companies. Members of the WPO take part in professionally facilitated peer advisory groups in order to coax the 'genius out of the group' and grow their businesses to the next level.

Website: www.womenpresidentsorg.com

Missouri Career Centers

Located in communities across the state and represent a unique partnership of employment and training organizations that reflect the specific needs in each local community. These resource areas are equipped with computers, fax machines, and telephones that operate similarly to a public library.

Website: www.missouricareersource.com



Upcoming Events and Programs

Missouri Broadband Summit

October 26-27th, 2010

Truman Hotel

Jefferson City, MO

<http://muconf.missouri.edu/MoBroadband>.

St. Louis Business Journal

Build Your Brand

Panel Discussion of Business Leaders

October 28th, 2010

Moto Museum

St. Louis, Missouri

www2.bizjournals.com/stlouis/calendar

St. Louis Business Journal

Best of Clayton..A Business Marketplace Presented by

Centene Corp.

November 1st, 2010

Crown Plaza Hotel

Clayton, MO

www2.bizjournals.com/stlouis/calendar

Leading a Generation-Friendly Workplace:

Policy and Practice

AARP Missouri

November 4th, 2010 and

December 6th, 2010

Kansas City, MO

This workshop includes a profile of today's workforce a discussion with practitioners who have implemented successful policy and practices that support job satisfaction and productivity; and an assessment you can use to determine how generation-friendly your workplace is.

For more information call 816.604.1600.

Kansas City Business Journal

Leading From the Sidelines: Essential Coaching Skills

November 5th, 2010

Mizzou Center

Blue Springs, MO

<http://kansascity.bizjournals.com/kansascity/calendar/>

Kansas City Business Journal

People Power: Winning Through HR

December 3, 2010

Mizzou Center

Blue Springs, MO

<http://kansascity.bizjournals.com/kansascity/calendar/>

Kansas City Business Journal

Strategic Planning

December 12th, 2010

Mizzou Center

Blue Springs, MO

<http://kansascity.bizjournals.com/kansascity/calendar/>

St. Louis Business Journal

Smart Reader Seminar

December 14th, 2010

St. Louis, MO

www2.bizjournals.com/stlouis/calendar

InvestMidwest 2011

March 30-31, 2011

Kansas City, Missouri

Provides access to capital for emerging, privately held companies and promotes entrepreneurship, business growth and expansion in the region. Businesses will present their ideas to investors in three industry tracks: life sciences, IT/general business and alternative energy/cleantech. To receive preferential consideration, **apply by Nov. 12**. Go to InvestMidwest for application details.





Missouri Women's Council



The Missouri Women's Council was established in 1985 by the State's 83rd General Assembly to identify and address issues affecting the economic and employment status of women in Missouri.

The first name of the council was the Missouri Council on Women's Economic Development and Training (MCWEDT). The name was changed to the Missouri Women's Council in 1994.

It is the intent of the Missouri Women's Council to work closely with other agencies and community-based organizations to build awareness, educate, promote opportunities for, and enhance the lives and well being of Missouri women business owners and women in the workforce.

The Missouri Women's Council offers information and resources on starting your Own Business, Women in Business, Finding a Great Job, Upgrading Your Skills, and Obtaining State Contracts.

The Council is an agency within the Department of Economic Development. The bipartisan Council is comprised of 15 members: 11 appointed by the Governor, 2 Missouri State Senators, and 2 Missouri State Representatives with the chair appointed by the governor. An Executive Directors is appointed to serve the Missouri Women's Council and the women of Missouri.

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@MOWomensCouncil

Missouri Women's Council's Women Owned Business (WOB) Network

*Helping Women-Owned
Businesses Succeed in Missouri*

Becoming a member of the WOB Network can help women-owned business owners find and interact with each other, as well as highlight the goods and services their businesses provide. Register for free, online at www.wobnetwork.mo.gov



Missouri Women's Council



Michelle J. Word

Missouri Women's Council
Chair

Michelle J. Word is the manager of Supplier Diversity for Burns & McDonnell. She has been with the company for five years and is developer of the company's supplier diversity procedures and policies. She is responsible for ensuring the company locates, utilizes and develops diverse businesses.

She also works externally to educate prospective suppliers and subcontractors about Burns & McDonnell's supplier diversity objectives and project participation. She is also responsible for internal education of project managers, procurement personnel and others in the company about the importance of cultivating and maintaining a diverse supplier base and methods to achieve this objective.

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Lisa B. Althoff

Missouri Women's Council
Executive Director

Lisa B. Althoff is the Executive Director of the Missouri Women's Council.

She is responsible for implementing programs initiated by the council. She also works to connect women business owners and women in the workforce to information and resources.

She has received her Masters in Business Administration from William Woods University. During her undergraduate program, she was appointed to the Women's Leadership Academy which focuses on the preparation of talented women for the workforce and for future leadership roles. She is a graduate of the Sue Shear Institute Women's Leadership Academy and a former intern of the Missouri Women's Council.